

THE GULF COAST WAVE

SEPTEMBER 2024

EXALTED RULER'S MESSAGE

Fellow Elks,

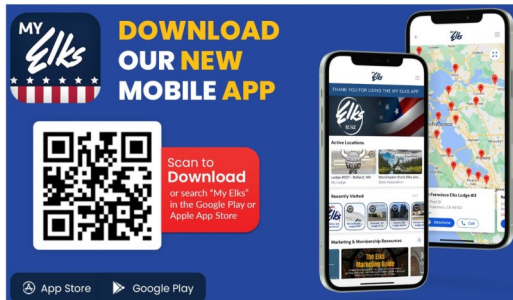
Sample Elks apparel, with our Lodge logo, will be displayed in the Social Quarters in assorted sizes and colors. We will need a minimum commitment to place an order.

August's Big Bingo was a remarkable success, thanks to the fantastic volunteers who stepped up as we also had to attend the District Deputy's meeting in Fairhope on the same morning. The next Big Bingo will be on September 14th; we will need volunteers for set up on Friday, September 13th, as well as dismantling right after Bingo.

The Saturday orientation and initiation of new members went well. Our next new member orientation will be at 11:00 AM, with initiation at noon on September 21st. A light lunch will follow in the Social Quarters. Please join us in welcoming our new members. Committee meetings are open to all members, and your input can help to make improvements in how our Lodge operates.

We will be voting on going smoke-free at the Lodge meeting on October 17th; membership has increased at other Lodges in the states that have done so. If the vote passes, we will have a covered outdoor area for smoking.

The My-Elks app for our Lodge is up and running, and our calendar and events are available and viewed via the app on your phone. This app will save the Lodge the cost of printing, mailing, and callouts. Learn more at <https://www.my-elks.com> or scan the bar code below.



I look forward to seeing you at the Lodge. Thank you for your participation.

Fraternally,
Jim Olick, Exalted Ruler

2024 LODGE OFFICERS

EXALTED RULER: Jim Olick
LEADING KNIGHT: Kelly Lyon
LOYAL KNIGHT: Doug Elsler
LECTURING KNIGHT: Pamela Ryals
ESQUIRE (Acting) Robert Herrin
SECRETARY: Maria Montoya
TREASURER: Lynn Wiese
TILER: Jane Wayne
CHAPLAIN: Michelle Stracener

EVENT COMMITTEE:

Jim Olick (Chair), Carrie Slaton, Melissa Warford, Bob Elsler, Joe La Bossiere, Barbara Carr, Bryan Blackmon, and Christy Anderson, Marie Palmer

TRUSTEES: Bob Elsler, Joe La Bossiere, Barbara Carr, Bryan Blackmon, and Christy Anderson

Board of Directors September 2024– chairman: Lynn Wiese

Donations approved for September: Family Promise of Baldwin County \$300. Gratitude Grant for \$2500 has been approved. This will also go to Family Promise.

The Lodge has signed up for the My Elks app. We encourage all members to download this app so we can use it to notify members of activities and to release the monthly Wave. To download go to Play Store or Apple Play and search for My Elks app. More to come on uses for the app.

The Point-of-Sale system setup is progressing. Target date of September 1, for use.

Our Trustee's Committee is working hard to plan activities for members, please come to the lodge and support our activities. Together we continue to support our community.

Chaplain's Corner– Michelle Stracener

Dave Schwartz underwent total knee replacement on August 22. Prayers for a complete and speedy recovery are greatly appreciated.

It is with great pleasure to share that "Little Robert" Herrin's chemotherapy treatments appear to be working. With two more treatments to go, his recent scan has shown the tumors have decreased in size by 70%! He's still having a rough go of it, and it has not been a walk in the park, but he realizes that the prayers he's been receiving are working!

Please continue to keep Kelly Lyons's niece, Lacey Welsh, her husband, Joe, and Lacey's daughter, IraRose, in your prayers as they mourn the loss of infant baby Roawen Laine Welsh.

In the future, if you know of anyone who is sick, in the hospital, or has passed away, please send the information to me. Otherwise, I may not hear about it and won't be able to let our Elks Family know at our Lodge meetings and put the information in the Elks Wave each month.

Thank You – Your Chaplain for the 2024/2025 Year Michelle Stracener

Secretary Section: Maria Montoya

Pending Members: David Barnhill and Mark Cates. Transfer is Mike Whittler from Oiney, IL #926.

Secretary: Membership 313, transfers 1 and 63 delinquent members. ENF is approx. 5.25 per members. We have 6 pending for Balloting and Orientation and Initiation on August 24, 2024, at 11 am.

House/Activities Committee

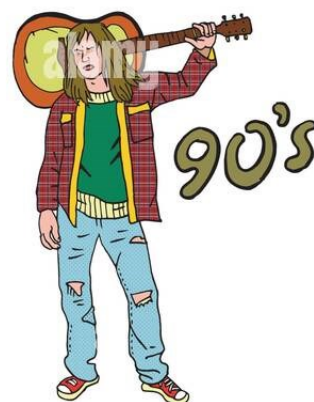
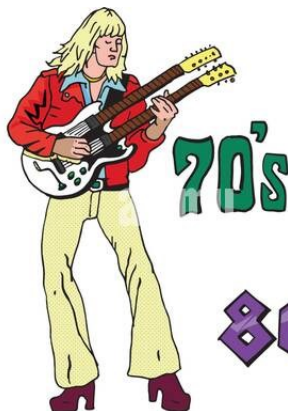
We have numerous fun events planned for the rest of August and September. On August 24th, the Social Quarters will open at 11:00 AM for Football and New Member initiation at noon. Bring a dish, meet the new members, and root for your favorite team! On Saturday, September 7th, we will have our first Hot Wing (eating, not cooking) competition. This event is open to the public (membership drive). There is a \$10 entry fee and eight levels of heat! Tums and ice cream for all participants.! Sample wings can be purchased for those not wanting to compete, just taste- six wings for \$5. Cash prize ad trophy for 1st place winner. Come and watch your friends suffer!

On September 28th, we are having a Multigenerational Dance. Bands will play 50 years of favorites from the 50s to the 90s. So wear your poodle skirt or platforms and dance the night away! Ten dollars gets you into the fun and festivities: hotdogs, popcorn, a costume contest, games, souvenirs, and prizes!

September Birthdays !

01 Clausen, Leonard	14 Perry, Jean
01 Maynard, Barbara	16 Falterman, Hans
02 Graham, Mike	18 Hall, William T
04 DeRouen, Macena	19 Doster, Herman
06 Slaton, Carrie	20 Dunaway, Michael
09 Anderson, Christy	21 Gross, Roberta Sue
10 Brown, James L	24 Tate, Varina
10 Good, Randall E	25 Madore, Murielle
10 Michalski, Michael	27 Werginz, Candace
11 Verret, Teresa	29 Szydlo, Peter
12 Owen, Kay	
12 Potter, Susan	
13 Broussard, Crickett	
13 Hess, Michael David	

Elk of the Month Mr Richard Begnoche



Showoff your Decade- 50
years of fabulous! From
the Boomers to Generation
X represent your decade-
Doors open @ 5- Music
starts @ 5:30

Don't forget to sign up for
the ALABAMA ELKS MID-
YEAR STATE MEETING AT
PERDIDO BEACH RESORT
JANUARY 16 – 19, 2025
PERDIDO BEACH RESORT –
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September

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>Sunday's Bloody Mary's Mimosa's</p>  <p>\$3.00</p> <p>Ship Captain Crew- Potluck</p>	<p>Mondays All Day \$3.00 Margaritas</p>  <p>Taco Vacation- No tacos for you! Labor Day</p>	<p>3</p> <p>House Committee Meeting 5:30</p> <p>Card Games 6:00</p>	<p>4</p> <p>5:00 PM Barbara Carr cooking lasagna, garlic bread, salad and dessert \$10</p> <p>Music Bingo with Jim @ 6:30</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Thirsty Thursday Happy Hour All Day</p> <p>BOD meeting 5:00</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Fish Fry 5-7 Trigger Fish</p> <p>Band 6-9 Nightstar</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Football @ Hot Wing Competition! @ 4:00 PM Who can eat the heat! Cash Prize and Trophy \$10 to enter</p>
<p>8</p> <p>Ship, Captain Crew with Potluck 2-5</p>	<p>9</p> <p>\$2 Tacos 5:00 - 6:30</p> <p>\$3 Margaritas All Day Games</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Bingo 10-2</p> <p>CARD GAMES 6:00 PM</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Marie serving Potato and Salad Bar \$8</p> <p>Trivia w/ Marie (or card games)</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Thirsty Thursday Happy Hour All Day</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Big BINGO!!!!!!</p> <p>GREAT PRIZES!!!</p> <p>12:30</p> <p>Food 11:00-12:00</p>
<p>15</p> <p>Ship, Captain Crew with Potluck 2-5</p>	<p>16</p> <p>\$2 Tacos 5:00 - 6:30</p> <p>\$3 Margaritas All Day Games</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Bingo 10-2</p> <p>CARD GAMES 6:00 PM</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Meal TBD</p> <p>Music Bingo with Jim (or card games)</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Thirsty Thursday Happy Hour All Day</p> <p>Lodge Meeting 6:30</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21</p> <p>New member Orientation @ 11 with initiation @ 12:00</p> <p>FOOTBALL</p>
<p>22</p> <p>Ship, Captain Crew with Potluck 2-5</p>	<p>23</p> <p>\$2 Tacos 5:00 - 6:30</p> <p>\$3 Margaritas All Day Games</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Bingo 10-2</p> <p>CARD GAMES 6:00 PM</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Candace cooking Meatloaf, green beans, mashed potatoes w/ gravy bread and dessert \$10</p> <p>Trivia w/ Marie (or card games)</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Thirsty Thursday Happy Hour All Day!</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p> <p>\$10 cover 5:00 PM</p> <p>Decades Dance Multiple bands, best costume award, games, prizes, food ! Dress in your favorite decade attire!</p>
<p>29</p> <p>Ship, Captain Crew with Potluck 2-5</p>	<p>30</p> <p>\$2 Tacos 5:00 - 6:30</p> <p>\$3 Margaritas All Day Games</p>					